

“The egg of *P. apoda* is darker, with spots of the same colour, but with much broader and more isolated streaks and dashes, and the space round the pole of the large end somewhat spotted.

“The egg of *P. raggiana*, as described by Ramsay (*l. s. c.*), appears to be of a similar character.

“The two eggs described and figured, each from two sides and from above, were taken by the brothers Geisler, in the month of August 1890, near the village of Jakema on the Saddle Mountain (‘Sattelberg’), Huon Gulf, East New Guinea, at about 250–300 metres above the sea-level. A native having told them that he had discovered the nest of a Paradise-bird, they proceeded to the spot, but found the tree too high and big to climb it themselves. The native, however, ascended it and brought down two eggs, unfortunately leaving the nest torn to pieces between the twigs. Several females fluttered and cried around while the native was thus employed, a male having been shot just before on a neighbouring tree.”

The figure in the Plate represents an adult male of about the natural size, and is drawn from an example in the British Museum.